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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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DIAGNOSIS OF EHRlichia CANIS AND EHRlichia CHAFfeensis